


REMARKS

Claims 1-27 were pending in this application. The Examiner issued a restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. § 121, requiring an election between Group I (claims 1-20 and 25-27) and Group II (claims 21-24) as subcombinations useable together. Applicants elect Group I, specifically claims 1-20 and 25-27, and withdraw the claims directed toward Group II without prejudice.

Favorable action and allowance of all claims now pending, claims 1-20 and 25-27, are respectfully solicited. If any matters remain outstanding prior to allowance of the claims, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at (415) 875-2401 or via e-mail at rbudnitskaya@fenwick.com.

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